

Minutes

To: Community Planning and Physical Services Committee

From: Leon Davidoff, Chairperson

Date: February 11, 2013

Subject: Community Planning and Physical Services Committee

In Attendance: Leon Davidoff, Burke Doar, Clare Kindall, Ron Van Winkle, John Phillips, Rob Rowison,

The Community Planning and Physical Services Committee met on Thursday, February 7, 2013, at 6:30 p.m., in Town Hall, Room 312, to discuss the following:

AGENDA

1. Ashford Road/Conard Road Petition

The discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

2. Public Works update

John Phillips discussed recent department activity.

3. Refuse and recycling

The new contract with Covanta for the disposal of garbage is going smoothly with no significant changes to our disposal process. The new recycling contract is also going well with better than expected revenue coming from the sale of recyclable materials.

4. Public Works long term capital plan

John Philips reviewed a long term strategy for our public works facilities and equipment. This included a discussion of future demolition or reuse of the incinerator building, improvements to the recycling center, the tree infrastructure in West Hartford Center and improvements to facility operations. The primary investment in the coming years will be our continued investment in the rolling stock to improve our efficiency.

5. Community Services long term capital plan

Rob Rowison discussed the long term investment in our public infrastructure including the need for the renovation of bridges on North Main Street and Fern Street. A recent evaluation of our sidewalk system indicated a need for additional investment to repair deteriorate slabs.